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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services - Agricultural Marketing Department – Departmental Proceedings against Sri K. Subbaraghava Raju, the then Secretary, AMC, Mydukur, Kadapa district & Special Grade Secretary(Retired), AMC, Ponganur, Chittoor district under Rule 20 of A.P.C.S. (CC&A) Rules, 1991 read with Rule 172 of A.P.(AP & LS) Markets Rules, 1969 – Article of Charge – Issued.

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AGRICULTURE & COOPERATION (VIG.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.354 **Dated:08.05.2024**

Read the following:-

1. Vigilance Report No.43(C.No.605/V&E/D3/2012), dated:25.06.2021 of the Director General(V&E) & E.O.Principal Secretary to Government(FAC), General Administration(V&E)Department.
2. G.O.Ms.No.34, Agri. & Coop.(Vig.II)Dept., dated:08.05.2024.

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O R D E R:

In pursuance of the sanction accorded by the Government in the reference read above, under Sub-Clause (i) of clause (b) of Sub-Rule (2) of Rule 9 of Andhra Pradesh Revised Pension Rules, 1980 read with Finance Department Circular Memo No.993083/Fin01-HROCL/9/2019-HR-III, dated:15.03.2020 for initiating departmental proceedings against Sri K. Subbaraghava Raju, the then Secretary, AMC, Mydukur, Kadapa district & Special Grade Secretary(Retired), AMC, Ponganur, Chittoor district, it is considered necessary to hold an inquiry against the said Sri K. Subbaraghava Raju, the then Secretary, AMC, Mydukur, Kadapa district & Special Grade Secretary(Retired), AMC, Ponganur, Chittoor district in accordance with the procedure laid down under Rule 20 of A.P.C.S. (CC&A) Rules, 1991 read with Rule 172 of A.P.(AP & LS) Markets Rules, 1969.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of Article of Charge (Annexure – I & II). A list of documents by which and a list of witnesses by whom the article of charge proposed to be sustained are enclosed (Annexure –III & IV).

3. Sri K. Subbaraghava Raju, the then Secretary, AMC, Mydukur, Kadapa district & Special Grade Secretary(Retired), AMC, Ponganur, Chittoor district is directed to submit his written statement of defence within 10 days on receipt of this order.

4. Sri K. Subbaraghava Raju, the then Secretary, AMC, Mydukur, Kadapa district & Special Grade Secretary(Retired), AMC, Ponganur, Chittoor district is further informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of those article of charge that are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifically admit or deny the article of charge.

5. Sri K. Subbaraghava Raju, the then Secretary, AMC, Mydukur, Kadapa district & Special Grade Secretary(Retired), AMC, Ponganur, Chittoor district is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the date specified in Para 3 above, further action will be proceeded based on the material available.

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6. The attention of Sri K. Subbaraghava Raju, the then Secretary, AMC, Mydukur, Kadapa district & Special Grade Secretary(Retired), AMC, Ponganur, Chittoor district is invited to Rule 24 of the A.P.C.S (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to hear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt within these proceedings it will be presumed that Sri K. Subbaraghava Raju, the then Secretary, AMC, Mydukur, Kadapa district & Special Grade Secretary(Retired), AMC, Ponganur, Chittoor district is aware of such representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 24 of the A.P.C.S (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of this order shall be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHARA PRADESH)

BABU A,
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri K. Subbaraghava Raju,
The then Secretary, AMC, Mydukur, Kadapa district &
Special Grade Secretary(Retired), AMC, Ponganur, Chittoor district
(Through : The Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur)

Copy to:-
The Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Guntur.
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K. Sampath kumar
SECTION OFFICER

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ANNEXURE-I

STATEMENT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI K. SUBBA RAGHAVA RAJU, THE THEN SECRETARY, AGRICULTURAL MARKET COMMITTEE, MYDUKUR, KADAPA DISTRICT & SPECIAL GRADE SECRETARY(RETIRED), AGRICULTURAL MARKET COMMITTEE, PUNGANUR, CHITTOOR DISTRICT.

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ARTICLE OF CHARGE:

"That Sri K. Subba Raghava Raju, while working as Secretary, Agricultural Market Committee, Mydukur, Kadapa District has failed to supervise on the Commission Agents at AMC, Mydukur and not enforced the provisions of the Andhra Pradesh (Agricultural Produce & Livestock) Markets Act, 1966 and thus caused collection of additional amounts from the farmers taken produce to the Market Yard and irregular maintenance of Takpatti by the Commission Agents and caused loss of revenue to the AMC and also failed to collect 1% of AMF on Agriculture Produce, Livestock or Products of Livestock from the traders during his tenure as Secretary at Agricultural Market Committee, Mydukur as per Rules in A.P.(AP&LS) Markets Act, 1966 and Rules,1969. He has also failed to maintain registers / records pertains to the Cattle at Incoming and Outgoing Gate Entry at Market Yard, Mydukur.

Thus it shows his gross negligence towards his official duties, lack of devotion to duty and thus violated the Rule 3 of A.P. Civil Services (Conduct) Rules 1964 and violated the Rule 31 of A.P.(AP&LS) Markets Rules, 1969".

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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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SECTION OFFICER

ANNEXURE-II

STATEMENT OF IMPUTATIONS OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI K. SUBBA RAGHAVA RAJU, THE THEN SECRETARY, AGRICULTURAL MARKET COMMITTEE, MYDUKUR, KADAPA DISTRICT & SPECIAL GRADE SECRETARY(RETIRED), AGRICULTURAL MARKET COMMITTEE, PUNGANUR, CHITTOOR DISTRICT.

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Imputation of Charge:-

The General Administration (Vigilance & Enforcement) Department in its Vigilance Report No. 43 (C.No.605/V&E/D3/2012), dated:25.06.2021 have informed that, the officials of Vigilance & Enforcement Department conducted enquiry on issuing of Takpatti by the Commission Agents in the Market Yards in Chittoor, Kadapa, West Godavari and Kurnool Districts and

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found certain irregularities. The V&E Officials have found that Sri K. Subba Raghava Raju, the then Secretary, Agricultural Market Committee, Mydukur, Kadapa District has neglected the collection of 1% Agricultural Market Fee(AMF) on Agriculture Produce, Livestock or Products of Livestock at Market Yard, Mydukur. As the Secretary of AMC, he failed to maintain registers / records pertains to the Cattle at Incoming and Outgoing Gate Entry at Market Yard, Mydukur. As such 1% of AMF was not collected in AMC, Mydukur. Thus, caused loss to the AMC, Mydukur.

By the above act, he has failed to maintain absolute integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of the public servant and contravened rule 3 of A.P.C.S.(Conduct) Rules, 1964 and Rule 31 of A.P.(AP&LS) Markets Rules, 1969 and rendered himself liable for disciplinary action. Hence, the Charge.

ANNEXURE–III

LIST OF DOCUMENTS ON THE BASIS OF WHICH THE ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI K. SUBBA RAGHAVA RAJU, THE THEN SECRETARY, AGRICULTURAL MARKET COMMITTEE, MYDUKUR, KADAPA DISTRICT & SPECIAL GRADE SECRETARY(RETIRED), AGRICULTURAL MARKET COMMITTEE, PUNGANUR, CHITTOOR DISTRICT.

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Govt. Memo No. MKTG/176/VIG.II/2021(1532215), dated:11.11.2021 of Agriculture & Cooperation (Vig.II) Department along with Vigilance Report No. 43(C.No.605/V&E/D3/2012), dated:25.06.2021 of General Administration (Vigilance & Enforcement) Department.

ANNEXURE-IV

LIST OF WITNESS BY WHOM BY THE ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI K. SUBBA RAGHAVA RAJU, THE THEN SECRETARY, AGRICULTURAL MARKET COMMITTEE, MYDUKUR, KADAPA DISTRICT & SPECIAL GRADE SECRETARY(RETIRED), AGRICULTURAL MARKET COMMITTEE, PUNGANUR, CHITTOOR DISTRICT.

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The Inspection Officers, V&E Department.

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